



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:
Morihiisa Hirata

Examiner: Paul DINH

Appln. No.: 10/784,620

Art Unit: 2825

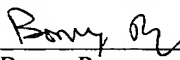
Filed: February 23, 2004

Docket No.: NEM-05401

For: **SEMICONDUCTOR INTEGRATED DEVICE AND
APPARATUS FOR DESIGNING THE SAME**

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I hereby certify that the foregoing documents are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail, postage prepaid, in an envelope addressed to: MAIL STOP: AMENDMENT, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on this date of December 19, 2005.


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RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

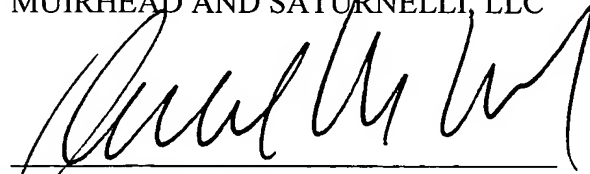
In response to the Office Action dated October 20, 2005 in which restriction was required, Applicant elects Group I, Claims 1, 3, and 5-22, drawn to semiconductor IC with protection circuit.

Although we believe that we have appropriately provided for any fees due in connection with this submission, the Commissioner is authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any deficiencies to/from our **Deposit Account No. 503596**. Two originally-executed copies of this form are being submitted.

Favorable consideration and allowance are earnestly solicited. Should there be any questions after reviewing this paper, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at (508) 898-8604.

Respectfully submitted,

MUIRHEAD AND SATURNELLI, LLC

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Donald W. Muirhead', written over a horizontal line.

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